



MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT  
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## **Evidence Seminar**

*an educational program for  
Trial Court Judges*

**January 31, 2013**

The Inn at St. John's ■ Plymouth, Michigan

### **DESCRIPTION**

The Michigan Judicial Institute (MJI) is pleased to announce a one day seminar on evidence topics for new and experienced judges. The seminar will offer a lecture format in the morning and an interactive facilitated discussion in the afternoon, using video clips of actual court proceedings where objections are made and seminar participants will decide whether to sustain the objection or overrule it before reviewing whether their ruling comports with current law and discussing the proper analysis for each situation.

During the seminar, participants will review and discuss:

- Testimonial Evidence and the Confrontation Clause after *Crawford v Washington*, 541 US 36 (2004), and its progeny
- The application of *Crawford* by Michigan Appellate Courts and the impact on the Hearsay Exceptions
- Character, Habit, & Other Crimes, Wrongs or Acts Evidence
- Impeachment by Prior Conviction
- Opinion, Expert, Lay Evidence
- Hearsay Exclusions & Exceptions

### **PARTICIPANTS**

The seminar is designed for new and experienced trial court judges. Registration is limited to 80 participants and registration will be on a first come, first served basis.

### **FACULTY**

Faculty for this seminar:

- Richard D. Friedman, Professor of Law, University of Michigan Law School
- Honorable Cylenchia LaToye Miller, 36th District Court
- Honorable William J. Richards, 46th District Court
- Honorable Joseph Farah, 7th Circuit Court
- Ms. Anica Letica, J.D., Assistant Attorney General, Department of Attorney General
- Mr. Peter VanHoek, J.D., State Appellate Defender's Office

## SCHEDULE

### Thursday, January 31

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.	Registration
9:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Testimonial Evidence & the Confrontation Clause after <i>Crawford v Washington</i>
10:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Breakout Sessions: <u>Session A</u> Application of <i>Crawford</i> & its Implication on the Hearsay Exceptions <u>Session B</u> Character, Habit, & Other Crimes, Wrongs or Acts Evidence
12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Evidentiary Ruling Workshop: A Facilitated Discussion
4:00 p.m.	Seminar Adjourns

## REGISTRATION

MJI is pleased to offer online registration. Please click on the following link to register:

<http://courts.michigan.gov/MjiOnline> and use the invitation code: **E35B47**. Seating is limited to 80 participants and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

## CONFIRMATION

Applicants will receive an e-mail confirmation, detailing specific on-site registration information. If you have not received confirmation by January 25, please contact MJI at 517-373-7171.

## LODGING AND MEALS

MJI will provide double-occupancy lodging at The Inn at St. John's for all participants whose courts are located more than 65 miles from the hotel, on Wednesday, January 30. If you request single occupancy, you will be responsible for half of the double-occupancy room rate.

All participants will receive lunch and coffee service during the seminar. All other incidentals, including breakfast, dinner, mileage, entertainment, phone calls, etc., are the responsibility of each individual or his/her funding unit.

Facility space constraints will not allow MJI to make any arrangements to accommodate spouses, family, or friends of a participant for meals or the seminar itself. MJI facilities accommodate persons with disabilities. If you require special accommodations, please indicate your needs when registering.

## QUESTIONS

Please direct questions concerning registration to Teri Scott at [scottt@courts.mi.gov](mailto:scottt@courts.mi.gov) or (517) 373-7229. If you have questions about the content of the seminar, please contact Dawn McCarty at [mccartyd@courts.mi.gov](mailto:mccartyd@courts.mi.gov) or (517) 373-7509.

## REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Tuesday, January 15, 2013